

## TROOPS RUSHED TO FINLAY, TEX.

150 Bandits Reported Near There; Troops Fail to Find Trace of Them.

Two troops of cavalry and a battalion of infantry were sent from El Paso by train early Wednesday morning and a motorcycle corps went overland to Fort Hancock following a report that 150 Mexican bandits had been seen in the vicinity of Finlay, west of Fort Hancock.

The report was received from Sgt. Henry F. Smith, in command of an outpost of company C, eighth Massachusetts militia. With privates Jones and Welpley, of this company, Sgt. Smith was patrolling near Torcor. Sgt. Smith sent his report to Capt. H. Dwight Cushing, of company C, Massachusetts infantry, stationed at Fabens, and by Gen. Sweetser to Leroy Sweetser and by Gen. Sweetser to Gen. Bell.

**Troop Train Leaves.**  
The troop train, troops E and H, of the eighth cavalry, a battalion of the 22d U. S. infantry in command of Capt. William Kelly, Jr., left El Paso at 1:30 Wednesday morning and went to Fort Hancock. An investigation was started there which resulted in a message being received from Gen. Bell declaring that, as far as could be learned, there was nothing to the report that Mexican bandits had crossed the line south of Fort Hancock.

The first report stated that the 150 bandits had been seen in a place where they had held a consultation at 1200 Tuesday afternoon. They were reported to have unsaddled their horses and prepared to camp there for the night. Dave Finlay, a settler from Fort Hancock, arrived in Finlay Tuesday night and reported that he had ridden through Laeca Pass and that no Mexican bandits had been seen there. Capt. Kelly and "Pop" Allison, a civilian settler, made a complete search of the hills in the vicinity of Finlay and failed to find any trace of the supposed bandits who were reported to have crossed eight miles below Fort Hancock for the purpose of attacking the ranch of the Finlay family.

Andrew G. Garcia, Mexican consul at El Paso, said Wednesday morning that he had heard from Gen. George Bell, Jr., that no raid of 150 Mexicans near Finlay, eight miles west of Fort Hancock, had taken place. "I don't see how there could be 150 bandits in that territory," he said. "I understand the hands there have all been broken up," he said.

**CHICAGO BOY TIRES OF ARMY; SAYS HE QUIT AT COLUMBUS.**  
Found walking the streets late Monday night and arrested by the provost guard, Wallace Wednesday morning told Capt. James Allison, the provost marshal, that he had left the camp of the New Mexico national guard at Columbus two weeks ago, and did not intend to return.

Wallace, according to his statement, says that he was a member of company 1, first New Mexico infantry and had served several weeks ago in El Paso, N. M. He served four weeks with the militia at Columbus, he said, and, becoming dissatisfied, came to El Paso, where he hoped to obtain a position. Wallace is but 18 years of age, and will be held by local military authorities until word is received from Adj. Gen. Harry Hering, of the New Mexico guard. He says his home is in Chicago.

**QUARTERMASTER CAR WRECKED WHEN DRIVER HITS CURBING.**  
A Dodge car, bearing number 36, of the El Paso depot quartermaster's office, was wrecked on the corner of North Florence and Montana streets Tuesday night at 11:45, when the driver hit the curb on the street corner. The car was going toward Fort Bliss and it was turned completely around in the street and the right front and rear wheels were completely wrecked.

The driver was not injured. The car was left in the street until Wednesday morning before it was removed. The accident was reported to the quartermaster's department early Wednesday morning and a guard was placed over it pending further investigation. Capt. James Allison, provost marshal, was asked to assist in locating the driver of the car.

**GEN. DODD FEELS YOUNG AND ACTIVE, HE ASSERTS.**

Douglas, Ariz., Aug. 2.—Brig. Gen. George A. Dodd, U. S. A., retired, wearing well worn service uniform and with his newly won stars on his shoulder straps, has arrived here from Mexico. He says he is 64 years "young," feels strong and active, but does not question the wisdom of retiring officers when they reach his age.

"I feel good for ten years more service, and hard service at that," he said, "but I recognize that the regulation is a good one and I will try to adapt myself to less active duties and changed conditions the best I can. I probably make my home in New York or Pennsylvania."

Gen. Dodd corrected one error. He said it was at Guerrero he struck Villa, and not at San Germino ranch.

**GENERAL STAFF OFFICERS TO BE ASSIGNED TO MILITIA.**

Nine general staff officers are to be sent to the Mexican border to join the militia commands. The exact assignments have not yet been made known, but it is thought that at least two of the general staff officers will be detailed for duty with the regiments now in camp here.

Capt. George Van Horn Moseley, of the general staff, is now attached to the Pennsylvania division. Having joined the troops at Mt. Getz, Pa. The other general staff officers are not expected to join the border troops here until regimental and brigade movements are started later in the fall.

**NAFARRATE HAS RESIGNED GOVERNORSHIP, IS REPORT.**

Brownsville, Tex., Aug. 2.—Gen. E. P. Nafarrate, recently nominated by first chief Carranza as military governor of the state of Tamaulipas, has resigned from the Mexican army, according to seemingly reliable reports in Matamoros. So far as known here he has made no efforts to take his army from the de facto army.

Removal of Nafarrate from the Tamaulipas command, it was said in Matamoros, was due directly to the representations from the American government as to his alleged anti-American activities while in command at Tampico and the oil fields region of that district.

**MEXICAN BANDITS ATTACK TRAIN; 12 OR MORE SLAIN.**  
Laredo, Texas, Aug. 2.—Two hundred bandits attacked a northbound National lines train at Gonzalez Junction, Mexico, on the afternoon of July 28, and in an engagement which followed with 75 Constitutional soldiers, several bandits and nine soldiers were killed, according to a reliable report received today at Nuevo Laredo. The bandits were dispersed.

**MASSACHUSETTS MILITIA INTERESTED IN COLLEGE.**  
Merrill Park, N. M., Aug. 2.—Massachusetts militiamen who are stationed in Las Cruces, make frequent visits to State college to look over the grounds and through the buildings. The bay state soldiers appear greatly interested in educational work in the southwest.

## CONTRERAS SOUS SEEK AMNESTY

Father Dead of Wounds, They Want Peace; Must Surrender 400 Men First.

Chihuahua City, Mex., Aug. 2.—Confirmation of the death of Calisto Contreras, Villa's chief lieutenant since the raid on Columbus, N. M., was received today by Gen. Jacinto Trevino. Gen. Samuel de los Santos reported from Torreón that he had found Contreras' grave in El Ojo, Durango, while Gen. Domingo Arrieta arrived here today bringing letters from Contreras' sons saying that their father had died of wounds and was buried in El Ojo and asking amnesty. Gen. Trevino agreed to grant their plea if they will surrender the 400 men who were under their father's command.

**Garcia's Report on Villa.**  
Gen. Trevino Tuesday received the report of Gen. Ernesto Garcia, commander of the expedition sent out from Parral in pursuit of Francisco Villa and his bandit forces from Contreras' son, saying that the latter had been in contact with the bandits several times, but each time their leader managed to slip away. Garcia reports that he has followed, although a number of his followers, estimated at 80, were killed in the various encounters. Prisoners taken by the bandits were promptly executed. The report was relayed from Parral by Gen. Luis Herrera.

**Homesick Boy Soldier Escapes Mexican Army; Finds Americans Kind.**

Douglas, Ariz., Aug. 2.—Till a fortnight ago, Rafael Alonzo was a regular enlisted soldier of the Carranza army, despite the fact that he is only 12 years old. Homesick for his people, he managed to make his way across the army and the roundup of children recently made by Gen. Calles for his new boys' school at Hermosillo. He managed to make his way across the line, and had the judgment or good fortune to be found weeping on the doorstep of a family that he had met in the city that made him welcome, fed him and clothed him and gave him luxury that he never before had experienced. All the more novel in that it came from the Gringo he had been taught to hate. He has papers to prove his claims, that he fought in Obregon's army and that he was in the company of Capt. Garcia at the battle of Puebla, where he helped kill 25 Villistas.

Rafael reluctantly has been turned over to Mexican consul Leleiver, for the American women who have been his patronesses have found him a delightful and grateful little study. On funds furnished by American residents he has been started back to his family, through the Mexican consul at El Paso.

**THREE OF LOPEZ AND ARE CAPTURED BY GEN. CAVAZOS.**  
Chihuahua City, Mex., Aug. 2.—Cavazos announced in a report to Gen. Trevino today, that he had encountered the band of Villistas under Martin Lopez and had taken the prisoners and some horses in a skirmish near Pahuariche. The pursuit was still continuing, he said.

Col. Lopez sent a message from Camargo to the effect that his men under Col. Carralero had driven off a small band of Villistas in Arenas, capturing a number of horses and rifles. The forces of Gen. Gastan, numbering a thousand men, have arrived here from Escalon to reinforce the local garrison.

**THREE SAN IGNACIO BANDITS ARE HELD IN JUAREZ PRISON.**  
Feliciano Chavez, Juan Tapia, and Manuel Prieto, the bandits captured near San Ignacio a few days ago, were brought into Juarez by customs guards Tuesday night and turned over to Gen. Francisco Gonzales, commander of the garrison, who placed them in the Juarez jail.

"I cannot tell what will be done with the men until I hear from Gen. J. B. Trevino," said Gen. Gonzales.

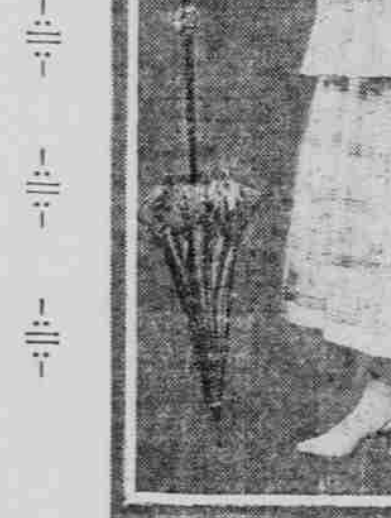
No visitors were allowed to see the men Wednesday.

**GEN. TREVINO'S CHIEF OF STAFF VISITS MILITIA CAMPS.**

Col. Francisco Garza, chief of Gen. J. B. Trevino's staff, was in El Paso serving and made an inspection of all the militia camps here, according to information obtained by U. S. army officers.

The Col. spent an entire day in El Paso, making the trip from Juarez in the automobile. After the inspection, he returned at once to Chihuahua city.

**THE TUSSEH SUIT.**



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## ASKS \$51,224 FOR WAR SALE

Tombstone Suit Reveals Deal Amounting to \$600,000 for Rifles in Douglas.

Tombstone, Ariz., Aug. 2.—Attorneys Ross and Stevenson have filed a remarkable suit in the superior court on behalf of I. N. Merrifield of Los Angeles, said to be a retired officer of the United States army, though a late army register fails to give his name. He demands \$51,224, commissions claimed to have been earned from Franco S. Elias, whose residence is given as Douglas.

**Old Krags at \$25 Each.**  
The complaints recited that plaintiff, acting as agent for Elias in January, 1914, arranged for the sale to defendant by Hirsch & Co., of St. Louis, of war material valued at \$400,000. The principal item of the bill was 25,000 Krags rifles, at \$25 each. Better rifles of the same sort now are being issued to American rifle clubs at about \$5 each.

**2000 Old Springfield.**  
Then there was an item of 2000 rifles, noted as 45-70s, probably old Springfield, listed at the modest price of \$2.50 each, with 500,000 cartridges. No Krags cartridges are mentioned. There also were 2000 hats at 50 cents and 5000 belts at 50 cents.

No destination for the huge purchase is named in the papers, but it is assumed that the goods went into Mexico via El Paso.

**RIFLE CLUB MEMBERS CANNOT SELL THE RIFLES.**  
Tucson, Ariz., Aug. 2.—The fact that a man who buys an army rifle under the right conferred by membership in a rifle club is not much more than a mere holder of the arm, not really its owner, was brought home to a Tucson man, a member of the local rifle club, who sought some ready money by sale of his Krags to a secondhand dealer. The weapon was recovered by the club and the seller forced to make good all costs.

**AMERICANS CAMPING IN PASS MISTAKEN FOR MEXICAN BANDITS.**  
Douglas, Ariz., Aug. 2.—Lieut. W. A. Raborn, troop H, Eighth cavalry, reported to Capt. William Kelly this afternoon that three American ranchmen, Dave Allison, Dan Rousar, and Joel Finlay, of near Finlay, were mistaken for Mexican bandits while in camp in Lasca Pass Tuesday.

**ALL OF 21ST INFANTRY NOW IS AT YUMA, ARIZ.**  
Yuma, Ariz., Aug. 2.—The whole of the 21st infantry now has been gathered in Yuma, under Col. D. J. Linker. One battalion has been here for several weeks and the others have been added from Nogales and from Vancouver Barracks, Wash. Dental is made of a rumor that 2000 troops are to be concentrated here, to cover Lower California in the event of trouble between governor Cantu and the Carranza government.

**PHILIPS DODGE PLAN ROAD TO WEST, IS REPORT.**  
Nogales, Ariz., Aug. 2.—There is a local report, assumed to be from Mexican authority, that the Carranza company has asked of the Mexican government a concession for the building of a railroad from Douglas, through Cananea and Insua, to a point on the Gulf of California. While there is doubt over the matter, mainly due to the very unsettled conditions yet existing in the region, such a road, an extension of the El Paso and Southwestern system, is known to have been contemplated for years.

A similar line was projected between Saco, or Tucson and Port Lobo by Santa Fe interests and surveys were made on several routes and a town-site was laid off at the designated terminus.

**MAN AND TWO WOMEN BOUND OVER ON CHARGES OF THEFT.**  
S. A. Davis, May Wright and Ethel Willbright, arrested several days ago by city detectives, were bound over to the grand jury Wednesday morning by Justice J. M. Chavez on charges of theft of over \$50. Bond was fixed at \$200 for Davis and \$200 each for the two women. The principal witness against the three defendants was Arthur Bartisch, a miner of Hurley, N. M., who alleged that the three persons were responsible for him losing the sum of \$200 in a room at home on the county road about one week ago. Bartisch, who was severely beaten in a fight in the road house, was brought to Hotel El Paso and later removed to the county jail. A charge of assault was filed against him.

The ordinary cost of a Want Ad in The El Paso Herald is 25 cents. It reaches an average of about 100,000 readers each issue.

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# The Jewelry Event of the Season



**Sterling Top 10c Hat Pins.**  
A GENUINE Sterling top hat pin with small neat dainty design. The kind that we have always sold at 25c. Thursday, 10c each.

**Gold Top Pin Sets ..... 25c.**  
GOLD gold top waist pin sets in green and Roman finish with the new gold chased designs. Set consisting of 3 pins worth at least 50c. Thursday, per set 25c.

**Rouge Boxes & Jitney Purses at 45c.**  
A N indispensable article. One for use always. Made up in gold, silver and oxidized finish. Not one in the lot worth less than \$1.00 each. Thursday special 45c.

**\$4.50 Neck Beads at ... \$1.00.**  
A GREAT assortment of neck beads and chains in jet, gold, silver and fancy stone designs. Long and short styles. Worth to \$4.50. Special \$1.

**25c Novelty Brooch Pins ... 15c.**  
MADE up in pretty styles of enameled colored gold and silver finish. Many fancy brooch pins in a great assortment of designs. Our 25c kinds. Special 15c.

**Men's Gold Plate Tie Clasps 25c.**  
A LOT of men's tie clasps with cut in initial. A clasp that will positively not cut neckwear. Regular 50c value, Thursday 25c.

**Wax Filled Pearl Ear Rings 50c.**  
NEEDLESS to say this is a great value. A wax filled imported pearl button style ear ring. All sizes in stock. Made with gold wire fastenings. A dandy value at 50c.

**Novelty Gold La Vallieres \$2.95.**  
Worth up to \$6.50. HERE is the best bargain in the entire sale. A lot of novelty gold La Vallieres in new dainty designs, stone settings. Each one in a silk plush box. Worth to \$6.50, for \$2.95.

**50c Pearl Bead Necklaces for... 33c.**  
A L.L. sizes, good qualities, wax filled pearl bead necklaces. Gold plate torqued clasps. Really worth 50c each, Thursday 33c.

**\$9.95 Voile Dresses \$3.98.**  
EMBRACING the very best line of white and colored voile dresses shown this season. Some real bargains for those who come early. An attractive line of dresses, voiles, lawns, organdies, and a few linens. Solid and fancy colors. One and two-piece styles. Laces and embroidered trimmed. Values up to \$9.95. Special for Thursday \$3.98.

**Middy Blouses at 59c.**  
FOR Thursday only we will place on sale 50 dozen Middy Blouses. In white with colored pockets, collar and cuffs with colored embroidered emblems and designs. Lace and button fronts. A real 79c value. Thursday Special 59c.

**Flexo Petticoats 98c and \$1.50.**  
A GUARANTEED lot of Satine Petticoats together with the famous Flexo brands—absolutely washable. No wear out to it. Made with fancy ruffles and they come in all the leading shades and floral effects, including black and white. Especially priced at \$1.50 @ 98c.

**Evening Dresses Friday.**  
EVENING Dresses of all kinds will be on sale Friday—embracing the season's newest materials of silks and nets. You cannot afford to miss this sale, it will mean many dollars to you.

**Wonder Sale Hats Friday.**  
HATS will be offered during our Wonder Hat Sale at a remarkable saving. No one can afford to pass up this sale. Watch for our Ad. in Friday's Paper carrying the good news.

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**LARKIN CHOSEN PRESIDENT OF CENTRAL LABOR UNION.**  
Officers for the ensuing year were elected at a meeting of the Central Labor union Monday night, W. E. Larkin, a member of the local bartenders' association, being chosen as president. Minor officers of the body were not filled at the election, being postponed until a later date. F. C. Standish was elected to fill the office of vice president, and H. L. Alexander, that of secretary-treasurer. A. C. Make was appointed recording secretary.

**BAKERY BOY IS THROWN FROM BREAD WAGON; STUNNED.**  
Picked up in a semi-conscious condition at Second and Santa Fe streets, Joe Krause, a boy employed by the Belgian bakers, was taken to the emergency hospital early Wednesday morning. He was thrown from a wagon of the bakery to the pavement. Aside from a bruise on his head, he was uninjured.

**FINDS "NEAR BEER" HAS LOW ALCOHOL PERCENTAGE.**  
Austin, Tex., Aug. 2.—Chemists in the state pure food department today completed the analysis of a barrel of "near beer," which, it appears, had been offered for sale to soldiers at Del Rio. The result of the analysis disclosed that the barrel contained a low percentage of alcohol. The near beer was sent to the department by Lieut. James Kirk of the coast artillery, stationed at Del Rio, who requested that an analysis be made to determine whether or not the beverage contained alcohol.

**NINE INSANE PATIENTS TAKEN TO STATE HOSPITAL.**  
Nine insane persons who have been held in the county jail were taken to the state hospital at San Antonio Tuesday night. In charge of county judge Adrian Pool. Four of the patients were men while five were women. During the past two years Judge Pool has been successful in getting a number of insane persons into the state hospital.

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A request for our new free booklet, "Banking by Mail," carries with it no obligation to open an account. All we ask is an opportunity to explain clearly why your savings should earn 4 percent, and why your money will be absolutely safe if sent by mail to this institution. You may have occasion to thank us for this suggestion. Write to-day, and ask for our New Booklet.

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